

REMARKS

Reconsideration is requested.

The Examiner's indication that claims 1-19 are allowable is acknowledged.

The Abstract have been amended for increased conciseness, and a paragraph has been added to the Summary of the Invention section.

The claims have been amended to add limitations discussed with the examiner to avoid recapture. The added limitations are directed to an antenna configured to electrically couple a first antenna port to a second antenna port of the integrated circuit including the RFID circuitry to enable wireless communication.

The claims have been further amended to remove a limitation identified by the Examiner in the Office Action of July 18, 2006. Note that the removal of this limitation has the effect of broadening the presently presented claims.

A Statement of Status of Claims and Support in accordance with 37 CFR 1.174(c) is attached as a separate paper.

In reviewing the initialed PTO-1449 sheet attached to this Action, it has been determined that the Examiner has only initialed page 1 of the total of 6 pages of the originally filed PTO-1449 form. Six total pages accompanied the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed on June 16, 2006, which the Office has acknowledged receiving. Pages 2-6 of the previously filed


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PTO-1449 form are attached to this Amendment, and it is respectfully requested that these 5 pages also be initialed by the Examiner.

This application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance, and action to that end is respectfully requested. If the Examiner's next anticipated action is anything other than a Notice of Allowance, the undersigned respectfully requests a telephone interview prior to issuance of any such subsequent action.

Respectfully submitted,

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Encls: Statement of Status of Claims and Support; Pages 2-6 of previously filed PTO-1449 form